RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER DEC 2 2 2005

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Beloussov et al.

Appl. No.: 10/624,858

Filed: July 22, 2003

For: System and Method for Using File System Snapshots for Online Data

Backup

Confirmation No.: 6544

Art Unit: 2188

Examiner: Duc T. Doan

Atty. Docket: 2230.0340000

Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Muil Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated September 1, 2005, the period for response to which has been extended by one month to January 1, 2006, by the attached petition for an extension of time and payment of an appropriate fee, Applicants submit the following Remarks. This Reply is provided in the following format:

- (A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;
- (B) Starting on a separate sheet, the Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-3523.